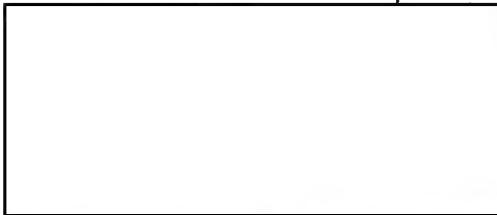


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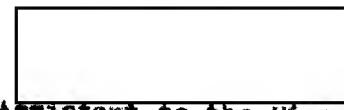
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In Mr. Dulles' absence from the city for a well-deserved rest, I am replying to your letter of 2 February.

Our Personnel people have further examined your situation and have concluded, on the basis of information from the Bureau of Naval Personnel, that your contract with the Navy is binding and that there will be no chance of your joining this Agency before the completion of your duty with the Marine Corps. May I assure you that your motives in seeking to join the Agency directly after graduation reflect only the highest credit upon you. Your qualifications make us hope that you will consider the Agency again after the completion of your tour of duty with the Marine Corps.

Cordially,



Assistant to the Director

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